

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE BILL ANALYSIS

AMENDMENT DATE: April 9, 2008
POSITION: Neutral, note concerns
SPONSOR: Commission on Teacher Credentialing

BILL NUMBER: SB 1110
AUTHOR: J. Scott

BILL SUMMARY: Teacher Credentialing: Revocation of Credential

This bill would require the Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC), upon review as specified, to suspend a California teaching credential when a holder's credential has been revoked in another state due to misconduct or criminal offense in that state. This bill also would require the CTC to immediately revoke a California teaching credential upon notification from another state that the holder's association with minors is limited or prohibited as a result of a criminal conviction or probation except when based solely on the violation of a protective order. The holder of a credential revoked as result of limited or prohibited association with minors would not be allowed to apply for reinstatement of the revoked credential until the terms of the conviction have been lifted.

FISCAL SUMMARY

According to the CTC, this bill would not result in any fiscal impact as the proposed activities could be absorbed within existing resources.

SUMMARY OF CHANGES

Amendments to this bill since our analysis of the March 24, 2008 version include the following significant amendments which do change our position:

- Requires the CTC, prior to suspending a credential of a holder whose credential was revoked in another state due to misconduct, to verify by review of documents as specified, that the underlying acts of misconduct could result in revocation of a credential in this state.
- Grants the CTC authority to exercise its independent judgment in each case on whether or not to revoke a credential suspended under this statute.
- Provides an exception to the requirement for the CTC to revoke a credential as a result of limited or prohibited association with minors for convictions based solely on the violation of a protective or restraining order.

COMMENTS

The Department of Finance is neutral on this bill. However, we are concerned that by requiring CTC to conduct the reviews as specified, prior to suspension, this bill could result in lengthy delays in removing potentially harmful teachers from classrooms.

We note that this bill could help protect students in California schools and remove potential safety risks since it would require the CTC to suspend a teacher's credential for his or her misconduct in another state.

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		SO	(Fiscal Impact by Fiscal Year)							
Code/Department		LA	(Dollars in Thousands)							
Agency or Revenue		CO	PROP						Fund	
Type		RV	98	FC	2008-2009	FC	2009-2010	FC	2010-2011	Code
6360/Teacher Cred		SO	No	----- No/Minor Fiscal Impact -----						0407
<u>Fund Code</u>	<u>Title</u>									
0407	Teacher Credentials Fund									